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REMARKS

Claims 1 and 3 through 47 were allowed, with claim 14 as amended in the Examiner's Amendment accompanying the Notice of Allowability (Paper No./Mail Date 20040302).

One of the claim amendments that was discussed with the examiner during the interview on February 25, 2004, related to a clarification of claim 14. That clarification as proposed was the substitution of the words "including the step of providing" for the word "wherein," to place claim in the same general form as claims 13 and 15. The examiner verbally approved that amendment during the interview, but it was not included as part of the Examiner's Amendment.

The amendment to Claim 14 is directed merely to a matter of form that does not affect the allowability of that claim, and therefore entry of this Amendment is in order and is respectfully requested.

The examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney if this amendment raises any questions, so that any such question can be quickly resolved in order that the present application can proceed toward allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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